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Harris County GOP Statement on Texas Supreme Court Unanimously Rejecting Harris County Governments Attempt to Stop SB 1750

HOUSTON — Today, the Texas Supreme Court rejected the attempt of the Harris County Government and Elections Administrator Clifford Tatum to bar the enforcement of SB 1750, which returns running Harris County elections back to two elected officials rather than an unchecked bureaucrat.

Harris County GOP Chairman Cindy Siegel issued the following statement.

"The Texas Supreme Court's unanimous decision denying the requests to suspend enforcement of SB 1750 proves that unqualified bureaucrats and disgruntled county attorneys cannot frivolously thwart the legislative process. Now, instead of counting on the appointment of a bureaucrat with unchecked authority and little to no consequences for their failures, voters can hand-pick who they feel is best suited to run elections in Harris County.

"The Harris County Republican Party was able to help set the record straight with our intervention, which outlined the countless failures of previous Harris County Elections Administrators. I'm thankful the court was not seduced by the Harris County government's feeble, irrelevant, and emotional argument but instead looked at the facts of the case.

"You will undoubtedly hear Democrats shouting from the rooftops that this is 'An attack on democracy' — I urge voters to ask those talking heads one simple question: 'How is returning the running of our elections to elected officials, where voters have hiring and firing power, undemocratic?' The answer is it's not. Democrats, unfortunately, only care about staying in power, even if it means cutting voters out of the equation.

"Needless to say, the Harris County Republican Party stands by, willing and eager to work with the **elected** Harris County Clerk and Tax Assessor-Collector to ensure our elections are run as smoothly as possible and according to the law when the transfer of power takes place on September 1, 2023."

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